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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of) Examiner: Not Assigned
John R. Lau) Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

For: **PROLONGATION OF CHEMICAL**)
ACTIVITY OF FLAVORANTS AND)
THERAPEUTICS ON MUCIN)
COATED SURFACES USING)
MUCIN ADHERING AMPHIPHILIC)
SUBSTANCES)
Serial No.: Not Assigned)
Filed: January 30, 2001

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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 08/315,359, filed September 30, 1994, of John R. Lau, for **PROLONGATION OF CHEMICAL ACTIVITY OF FLAVORANTS AND THERAPEUTICS ON MUCIN COATED SURFACES USING MUCIN ADHERING AMPHIPHILIC SUBSTANCES**, which is incorporated herein in its entirety.

1. Enclosed is a true copy of the prior complete application as filed, including the specification (including claims), drawings, oath or declaration showing the signature or an indication it was signed, and any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application.
2. This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above. With respect to the prior

copending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are):

the same as those named in the prior application.
 less than those named in the prior application and it is requested that the following inventors identified above for the prior application be deleted:

3. The filing fees are to be calculated on the claims as filed in the prior application and the claims remaining as a result of the:
 amendment below;
 attached Preliminary Amendment.

Description	Fee Code	Claims	Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic Filing Fee	101				\$ 355
Independent Claims	102	2 - 3=	x	\$80=	\$ 00
Total Claims	103	3 -20=	x	\$18=	\$ 00

Total Filing Fee\$355

4. Payment of Filing Fees:
 A check in the amount of \$355 is enclosed herewith.
 The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees and to credit any overpayment of fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 08-1641, referencing Docket No. 22719-1015. **A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.**

5. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line, -- This is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 08/315,359, filed September 30, 1994, allowed April 28, 1997 --.

Please cancel claims 1, 2, and 6.

6. The prior application is assigned of record to:

SDG, Inc.

7. The power of attorney in the prior application is to: **Robert F. Frijouf.**
 The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 A Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers is enclosed.

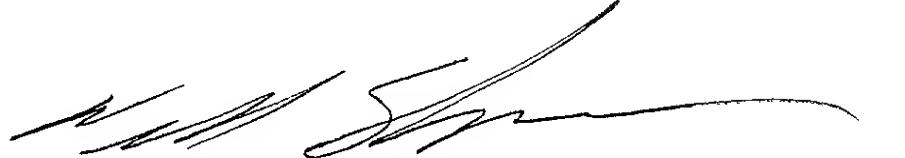
8. Please address all future correspondence to:

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9. Documents enclosed:

Copy of prior complete application as filed (including the signed Declaration and Power of Attorney);
 Preliminary Amendment;
 1 Return Receipt Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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